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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of

Examiner: D. J. McCrosky

Burbank et al.

For:

METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR SECURING MEDICAL INSTRUMENTS

TO DESIRED LOCATIONS IN A **PATIENT'S BODY**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the final Office Action mailed on June 16, 2004 and pursuant to the Request for Continued Examination concurrently filed, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows.